Lazersilk™

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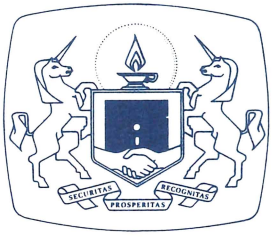

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SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

Apple® II, II+ or Franklin Ace™ 1000 • 48K RAM
One Disk Drive • DOS 3.3
Joystick Controller (optional)

PACKAGE CONTENTS

Lazersilk Diskette
Instruction Booklet
Warranty Card

OVERVIEW

Can you defend your web against a host of deadly enemies? As Spyder, you must outwit a variety of creatures to protect your web from being torn apart and leaving you stranded. You can capture your enemies by bundling or shooting them. But beware — some of them will not allow themselves to be bundled and will kill you!

KEYBOARD CONTROLS

<CTRL-R>	resets the game to the point where you select skill level
<CTRL-S>	turns sound on or off after play begins on Apple II and Apple II+
<ESC>	breaks action; press again to continue
<→>	moves Spyder right
<←>	moves Spyder left
<A>	moves Spyder up
<Z>	moves Spyder down
<SPACE BAR>	shoots lazersilk

GETTING STARTED

To get started with Lazersilk simply follow these steps (this is called "booting"):

1. Make sure the power switch on the rear left of the computer is in the off position.

2. Open the disk drive door by pulling out and up on its bottom edge. Slip the diskette into drive #1 with your right thumb on the diskette's label. (The label will be up and will be the last edge of the diskette to enter the drive.)

3. When the diskette is entirely in the drive, close the drive door.

4. Turn the power switch to the on position. You will hear a "beep" from the computer and the "in-use" light on the disk drive will come on. This means that the program is loading.

You will now see the Softsmith logo page and the Lazersilk title page appear on the screen. If you don't, please try turning your computer off briefly, and then try again.

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HOW TO PLAY LAZERSILK

Once the disk has been "booted," you will be asked at which skill level you wish to play. This will be explained later, but for those of you too eager to start playing to read further now, simply press <RETURN>. On Franklin Ace 1000 systems make sure the <LOCK> key is on.

As Spyder you must defend your web. You may protect yourself by bundling (capturing) your enemies by touching them as soon as they fly into your web and land, or by shooting them with lazersilk by tapping the <SPACE BAR>. Some scavengers will try to rob you of points by stealing your bundles and leaving holes in your web.

MOVEMENT

Lazersilk may be played from the keyboard or joystick. To play from the keyboard press <RETURN> to start. Move Spyder left and right by pressing <←> or <→>. Press <A> and <Z> to move Spyder up or down.

To use the joystick, press the button to begin play. Use the button to fire.

SCORING

You begin the game with 5 Spyders. There are ten skill levels to choose from, the more difficult ones scoring more points. At the start of each game you will be asked the level on which you wish to play. Press <→> to move up a level and <←> to move down. You gain points by bundling, shooting and preventing holes in your web. Bonus point scores will be announced each time there is a new web formed.

Creatures and Points

SPYDER = Spider (you)

XENAR = Mystery Bug
Shoot = 500 pts.
Bundle = Bonus X 2

SUPER FLY = Med Fly
Shoot = 50 pts.
Bundle = Bonus X 2

BULL WEEVEL = Beetle
Shoot = No Score
Bundle = Bonus + 200 pts.

WIDOW MAKER = Attack Spider
Shoot = No Score
Bundle = Lost Life

MARCHER ANT = Ant
Shoot = No Score
Bundle = 200 pts.

SKEETER = Mosquito
Shoot = 150 pts.
Bundle = Lost Life

ELECTRODE = Glow Bug
Shoot = 250 pts.
Bundle = Bonus X 2

MOTHRA = Moth
Shoot = 50 pts.
Bundle = Bonus X 3

BUZZER = Bee
Shoot = 150 pts.
Bundle = Lost Life

Lazersilk is one of many fine games carried in the Softsmith library. Consult your local dealer for a complete catalog and demonstration.

WARRANTY MESSAGE

Please take a moment to complete and mail the enclosed warranty card. If your disk becomes damaged, send it to us at the address below, along with a brief description of the problem. The Software Guild[SM] will replace your disk promptly, per warrenty provisions. If you have problems running Lazersilk, please contact the dealer where you purchased the software. They have the experience and service network to assist you.

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